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Unsettled weather,
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GERMANY PREVENTS LAYING DOWN ARMS

Premier Briand in Dramatic Speech Tells Why
France Cannot Scrap Its Military Machine
—Holds Big Audience in Rapt Attention
For Hour

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 21.—Germany, while apparently disarmed, Premier Briand told the armistice conference today, could with her present organization put an army of between 6,000,000 and 7,000,000 in the field.
At least 250,000 Germans are receiving daily military training, the French premier asserted.
Although a part of Germany evidently wants peace and is ready to get back to peaceful pursuits, another portion headed by the Ludendorff and others of the military caste is continuing to preach the doctrine of imperialism.
In a dramatic speech of an hour Premier Briand outlined to the conference what is being said at the door of France, which wants peace. "How can France disarm under these conditions?" he asked.

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 21.—Aristide Briand, seven times prime minister of France, held the arms conference in a rapt hour today with the world for his audience while he told of the reasons why France could not reduce its armaments.
The picturesque "strong man" of France acknowledged by Lloyd George as "having the finest parliamentary voice in Europe," was the drawing card which packed Memorial hall with a gathering of notable persons for an audience.
The premier's voice, ordinarily vibrant and penetrating and particularly rich, was modulated to fill the hall and no more.

Premier Briand, rising to present the views of France, began by saying his government was ready to take all measures possible to insure a lasting peace. France could not put down her arms, declared M. Briand, because of conditions closely touching her national integrity.
America, said Premier Briand, must see France through unclouded glories before it could see the situation in its true light. The picture presented by Europe was hard to see. He declared that France was not militaristic and the charge that she was militaristic was a lie. Everyone who knows France knows the falsity of this charge.

He asserted that if any country wanted peace it was France. But he added that France had seen Germany fail in her obligations on many occasions.
France was the foe of no nation and his country wanted peace with Germany. There are many people in Germany who want peace founded on democratic institutions and it was that sort of Germany he wanted peace with.
The old Hohenzollern party had tried repeatedly to regain control, he declared.

As an example, M. Briand read several passages from the memoirs of Ludendorff regarding Germany's aspirations for world conquest and among these was Ludendorff's declaration that the creation of war was the work of God.

Throwing the Ludendorff manuscript dramatically upon the table, Premier Briand declared it showed that was going on at the door of France.

"I shall endeavor to present the situation with its true genuine face," he declared, "to show that France is more ready than any other country to direct her steps in the path of higher peace. Nothing could be more pleasant than to tell you this. We have suffered sacrifices. We must regard now our permanent security."

"Let me explain for France that if you want to make peace, it must be made by two people, you and your neighbor. I am speaking particularly of a land armament, because there is a situation which you have no right to neglect. It is necessary besides physical disarmament, there must be an atmosphere of peace—in other words, moral disarmament."

"Here in this country, the premier continued, 'you have your states and do not know the tangible barriers of Europe. It must be difficult for you to know what is going on in Europe. Germany has reduced her army and destroyed her supplies.'

"Why must France keep a large army? It has been said that France wanted to establish in Europe a sort of military supremacy. Probably this is the most cruel thing a Frenchman could be told. On one word of it is true," exclaimed M. Briand, pounding the table with both fists. "If there is a country that wants peace will all our hearts, that country is France."

CONFERENCE MEETS

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 21.—The third plenary session of the armistice conference was called to order by Secretary Hughes at 11:01 today.

COTTON GINNING SOMEWHAT LIGHT

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 21.—Cotton ginning prior to November 17 amounted to 7,270,575 running bales, including 16,000 bales of American, Egyptian and 2,002 bales of sea island, the census bureau announced today.
Ginnings by states were: North Carolina, 670,481; South Carolina, 685,429; Virginia, 13,283.

NO SHIPPING ORDERS RECEIVED IN GLASGOW

Glasgow, Scotland, Nov. 21.—The market for ship-building is so poor that no new order to build a ship has been received at Wallsend on the Tyne since the beginning of the year, says Sir George Burton Hunter, chairman of the board of directors of one of the big ship building companies there.
A vessel now nearly completed at Sunderland has been sold at a price less than one-half her cost of construction. Sir George gives figures showing that it now costs 11,731 for a ton of steel used in a ship, as compared to \$2.55 in 1911.

The iron workers, he says, now handle about two hundredweight of steel per week less than they did 10 years ago.
Sir George asserts also that wages are from three to three and one-half times those paid 10 years ago, when the amount of work done is taken into consideration. He says that the workers accomplish 20 per cent less work now than in 1911, and he adds: "This applies to other industries as well as ship building and explains why more orders are not obtainable and why so many men are unemployed."

PUBLIC OPINION AND NAVIES

Boston Herald.
Not long ago the disarmament committee of the League of Nations issued a report in which these words are found: "The limitation of armaments can never be imposed by the governments upon the peoples, but it may be imposed by the peoples on the governments. It is only by creating an instructed public opinion in each country that the necessary strength of world opinion can be obtained." That world opinion exists without doubt. Everybody knows that the people of this country are almost unanimous in their demand for what the president on Saturday put in seven words as "less of armament and none of war."

IT GOES TWO WAYS

Baschful Mr. Jones was at a dinner party and had been trying all evening to say something nice to his hostess. Finally he thought he saw his chance.
"What a small appetite you have, Mr. Jones," she remarked.
"To sit next to you, Mrs. Smith," he replied gallantly, "would cause any man to lose his appetite."
And then he wondered why he wasn't invited to the next affair.—American Legion Weekly.

DISTURBANCES AT GENERAL POINTS IN BOMBAY FRIDAY

Bombay, India, Nov. 21.—Disturbances occurred Friday at several points in the native quarter of the city. A mob burned a police station and military patrols were called into action. They fired into and dispersed the rioters, who suffered some casualties.
On Saturday morning the trouble started afresh in a number of places, the patrols again being forced to fire into the crowd.

Both disturbances were confined to the native section, affairs in the European business section going as usual.

GOVERNOR OF SAN JUAN IS VICTIM OF ASSASSIN'S RIFLE

Buenos Aires, Nov. 21.—Dr. Amable Jones, governor of the province of San Juan was assassinated yesterday by men armed with rifles as he was alighting from an automobile. A friend who was with him was also killed. The assassination was attributed to politics.

NOMINATION CONFIRMED

Washington, Nov. 19.—The nomination of Alexander L. McCaskill for collector of the port at Wilmington was confirmed yesterday.

The Bookman says America has no H. G. Wells. No, but she has other spouting wells.—Greenville (S. C.) Piedmont.

WESTMORELAND PAYS DEATH PENALTY

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, Nov. 21.—Will Y. Westmoreland of Fredell county, convicted of the murder of J. H. Nantz, a public chauffeur near Statesville, was electrocuted in the state prison at 10 o'clock this morning.
Westmoreland walked from his cell to the death chair, a distance of about 75 feet, without a faltering step. When the deputy warden opened the death cell, Westmoreland walked quietly out of the cell.
Only two shocks were required to end life.

Westmoreland spent the last few hours of his life in prayer with his spiritual advisers. Rev. W. McC. White of the Presbyterian church of Raleigh, and Rev. E. L. Thomas, a local negro minister. Up to this morning Westmoreland was said to have been more or less indifferent as to religion, but this morning he asked the negro minister to read the 14th Psalm. Westmoreland also sang Jesus, Lover of My Soul and other hymns.

Thomas is a regular visitor to the condemned men in death row at the state prison and he and Westmoreland had become fast friends. Thomas spent the last 15 minutes of the morning with him. The colored minister said he did not ask Westmoreland if he was guilty. Dr. White said he was not told anything by Westmoreland about the crime.

Westmoreland is said to have rested fairly well last night. He ate only half an apple for breakfast this morning, although a tempting meal was prepared for him. It is understood the body will be carried by a brother, who was with him yesterday, back to his old home in Fredell county for burial.

LENOIR PYTHIANS BANQUET

Lenoir, Oct. 21.—One of the most elaborate banquets of the season was that given by the Pythians here Friday night in Castle hotel. There were about 150 guests present. Mr. J. T. Deitcher was toastmaster of the evening. There were a number of speeches made by the local members but the principal speech of the occasion was made by Mr. Mike Whitehead of Hickory. The Pythians took their supper, daughters and friends to this feast, and a sumptuous supper was served.

On account of the unusual fall, apple and cherry trees have been blooming, and on many of the early fruit trees apples have grown to a size almost as large as a hen egg. Several twigs have been brought in from different parts of the county with half-grown apples on well filled limbs. These apples are as perfect as any apples that are grown in the spring.

MISS BEALL WOODWARD KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

Chapel Hill, Nov. 21.—Miss Beall Woodward, of Washington, D. C., a first year student in the university, was struck by an automobile and killed on the street here shortly after six o'clock last night. She was walking on the paved roadway in the middle of the street because she wanted to avoid the rougher and wetter footing of the unpaved sidewalk.

Miss Woodward, the only child of J. M. Woodward, of 723 Twentieth street Northwest Washington, came here in September to spend a year in the home of Miss Elizabeth McKie, whose school mate she had been, and to take a course in the university at the same time. Miss McKie, who was with her when the accident occurred, said afterwards that her friend had insisted on leaving the sidewalk and taking to the newly completed concrete surface. They were in the middle of a block when the car approached. The night was dark, and a rain was blowing in the faces of the two young women. They had their black umbrellas in front of them so that neither could they see ahead nor could they be easily seen.

The wind shield of the car coming in the opposite direction was wet and there was a bright street lamp shining in the eyes of the driver, Paul Sparrow. He did not see the two young women until he was close upon them, he threw on his brakes, but the wheels skidded on the slippery pavement. Miss Woodward was knocked down and her skull was fractured. She died two or three minutes afterward in the home of Mrs. H. S. McCrae. Miss McKie was only slightly hurt.

The car belonged to S. J. Brockwell and was making a regular schedule trip from Durham with several passengers. Sparrow is in a state of collapse. He is known as a careful driver and an eye witness says that he was not going at an unusual speed.

MANY ACCIDENTS

New York, Nov. 21.—An accident occurred every 20 minutes on the streets of New York last year. There were 27,550 vehicular accidents which killed 846 persons and injured 17,133 men and 6,146 women. Private cars were in 7,608 of the mishaps; business automobiles in 3,423 and taxicabs in 1,231.

MINISTER OF WAR TALKS ON ARMIES

By the Associated Press.
Strasbourg, Nov. 21.—Premier Briand will declare no guarantees necessary to the security of France, Minister of War Barthou declared here at the third anniversary of the return of French troops to Strasbourg. France was ready to reduce land armaments on certain conditions, such as the complete disarmament by Germany.
It was useless to repeat, he added, that France had suffered too much from war to dream of any further conflict.

SPELLING MATCH TO FEATURE ASSEMBLY

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, Nov. 21.—One thousand one hundred and thirty registrations had been reached today for the state teachers assembly and the number exceeded safely all previous records. The officers today proposed that the convention to take part in this week would break the attendance mark.

County superintendents who held their meeting Tuesday afternoon began arriving today.
Forty-two counties will send two delegates to the assembly. The delegates are to be elected by the county boards of education. The assembly will be held at the Raleigh Hotel.

Prof. R. Z. Kiser of Rowan, oldest superintendent of the state, is to bring a seventh grade spelling book which has mastered every word in the book from which the 100 words will be taken.

The assembly proper opens Wednesday afternoon with President R. H. Latham of the Winston-Salem schools presiding. The chamber of commerce is arranging for the entertainment of all delegates at hotels and private homes.

CLOUD BURSTS IN SICILY DO DAMAGE

By the Associated Press.
Messina, Sicily, Nov. 21.—Cloud bursts have devastated the country in this vicinity, entire villages being swept by the flood. Hundreds of persons were rendered homeless and several are reported dead.

CENTRE AND GEORGIA PLAY TRUE TO FORM

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 21.—Centre college and Georgia university played true to form during the last week and scored their expected victories over Washington and Lee and Alabama, respectively, but the unexpected for results came in Tuesday's victory over Louisiana state and Georgetown's triumph over Louisiana state 21 to 0, exactly the same score by which the State eleven went down before the New Orleans team last season, but comparative scores this fall had pointed toward revenge for the staters; Georgetown was downed 30 to 0 in 1920 by the Boston college eleven and after the blue and gray loss recently to Georgia Tech it had appeared the Bostonians might repeat.

Another contest that attracted wide attention was the fight put up by Trinity College of Durham, North Carolina, against the heavy New York university team on the latter's home ground, the North Carolinians holding their opponents to a 7 to 7 tie. Trinity had won all its previous games this year played against institutions of similar size except for a 14 to 0 loss to William and Mary. Florida university and Mississippi added another tie to the season's record Friday, 7 and 7. Mississippi university was not so fortunate and bowed to the team from the medical department of the University of Tennessee 24 to 0.

The week was a disastrous one for several other southern teams, for Clemson lost to Erskine and Maryland went down before Carnegie Tech but Furman, North Carolina State and Virginia Polytechnic institute rolled up good scores. Furman piled up a 62 to 0 score over Wofford, North Carolina won its state championship by defeating Wake Forest and Virginia Tech bested Roanoke 36 to 0.

Many big elevens were not in action Saturday but spent their time getting on edge for Thanksgiving day games which will end the season for most of them. Georgia, however, was the exception for the Bulldogs not only played Alabama yesterday but will play Clemson Thanksgiving day and then meet Dartmouth in Atlanta Saturday.

Russia has issued 5,500,000,000 paper rubles and the world is poorer by just that much spoiled paper. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

RED CROSS DRIVE HERE TUESDAY AFTERNOON

With 1,000 members set as the minimum, canvassers for the American Red Cross roll call will start out here tomorrow afternoon with the intention of putting Hickory over the top in a few hours. The canvassers are busy men, but they are willing to give their time as well as money in the interest of the cause, and it is hoped that they will receive hearty cooperation from all citizens.
The campaign has been worked out carefully by Chairman Roy Abernethy and his committee and no hitch is expected.
Thomasville raised its quota of 1,000 members before the day set for the drive; other places are coming through with their membership drives, and Hickory will do the same.

SOME GOOD WORK

Friday afternoon November 18 was workday at the Lail school. The 80 pupils enrolled in this school appeared in working attire the girls in work aprons set themselves to the task of washing and cleaning the interior of the building. Ten thousand marks, and then some more, were scrubbed off and the whole interior of the two rooms thoroughly scrubbed. Three of the larger girls were appointed by the teacher to have supervision of the work.

The boys with axes, mattocks, shovels, etc., removed about 30 stumps that had infested the playground. The smaller boys with two wheel wagons, (Jr.) were busy hauling soil, filling up stump holes, gullies, etc.

We have found some fine material in this school and will spare no effort to give them the opportunities they deserve. Cooperation all along the line is essential.

TEACHER.

ROWAN COUNTY YOUNG MAN FATALLY BURNED

Salisbury, Nov. 21.—G. C. Basinger, aged 24, of the Grace church neighborhood died in a local hospital early yesterday morning, as a result of burns received Saturday evening when he attempted to replenish his gasoline supply in his car from another car. While the was being moved some one struck a match and the resultant fire so burned the young man that his death resulted in a few hours. He will be buried from Grace church Monday at 11 o'clock.
Mrs. J. M. Deske, wife of a local hospital with a broken jaw bone and a fractured rib and other injuries received when she attempted to leave an automobile before it was brought to a full stop.

THE NEWBERRY CASE

Springfield Republican.
The Newberry case affords the democratic senators an opportunity to denounce the shamelessly extravagant methods of the Michigan man's 1918 primary campaign when more than \$175,000 was spent in his behalf in securing the Republican nomination. Yet it now looks as if the Newberry case was like water that had gone over the dam. The United States supreme court, after Mr. Newberry's conviction, declared the federal statute regulating primary expenditures by candidates for the senate to be invalid. So far as the federal laws are concerned Mr. Newberry or his friends could have legally spent a million dollars in upper and lower Michigan on simple advertising or cigars.

The moral and civic debauchery of an excessive amount of money spent in such campaigning must be conceded, however, and the next step is to reach by new legislation the evils which the Newberry case has laid bare. Representative Robert Luce of this state is evidently interested in the situation created by the supreme court decision, and the attorney-general's opinion for his benefit to the effect that the federal corrupt practices act has been emasculated should prompt the drafting of essential amendments, and their early passage by congress in time to control campaign expenditures in next year's congressional primaries and elections.

THE SONG OF SLUMBER

"What I object to about musician," said Farmer Cortness, "is that he's liable to be so blame inconsistent."
"But your boy Josh aspires to be a musician?"
"Josh is an illustration of my idea. Since I bought him a new bugle he keeps the family awake all night practicing taps."—Washington Star.

Briand saluted Liberty as he passed her, and went below for a little of the white wine of his native land.—Wall Street Journal.

The Thanksgiving turkey would like to see the Washington conference start its disarmament program with the ax.—Wheeling Intelligence.

HAPPY POSSIBILITY

If all our pro-Germans invested in German marks we can bear the blow with Christian fortitude.—Wall Street Journal.

BALFOUR PROMISES TO SUPPORT FRANCE

Says England Stands Ready to Protect Republic
Against Attack—All Countries Except Japan Promise to Reduce Armies—High Spots in Today's Session

WAGE REDUCTION CAUSE OF STRIKE

TO CEASE CIRCULAR MAILING AT CHRISTMAS

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 21.—The Colorado Fuel and Iron Company and district officials of the United mine workers looked forward with interest today to learn the extent of the strike in coal fields as a result of the 30 per cent reduction in wages inaugurated in 10 mines last Wednesday.

ITALY TO REDUCE

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 21.—Speaking for Great Britain and in reply to Premier Briand, Arthur Balfour, head of the British delegation, practically pledged the support of Great Britain to France in the face of the last for domination.

JAPANESE ARMY

By the Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 21.—Japan wants only such an army, Baron Kato of the Japanese delegation, told the arms conference today that although Italy thought 200,000 men a just quota for her army, plans were being made for a further reduction.

HALLOWEEN PARTY IN WARD 1 NO. 7, OTTEN

Hickory gave a very lovely party in 1-7 on Halloween night which was greatly appreciated and very much enjoyed by the forty-three men in the ward.
Witches, owls, black cats and streamers had been sent up before hand and the boys with the help of the nurses and aides, had made the sun parlor look spooky enough to make most any of the mischievous. They had placed stacks of corn stalks and pumpkin jack-o-lanterns around the room. The long table was with crepe paper, Halloween table cloth, napkins and vases of chrysanthemums. An immense Jack Horner pie of orange and black, decorated with witch hats, cats, owls, etc., and filled with fortunes made a bright centerpiece.
The menu read: cannibals' delight, fried chicken; Enemy's eyes, stuffed olives; Queens' tears, pickled onions; Hags' teeth, hard candies; Witches' ices, nuts; white ribbon folk, punch; raw heads' apples; Bloody bones, striped sticks of candy. The cookies had jack-o-lantern faces made of raisins and the boys laughed and talked about the different expressions. Hot rolls were served with the chicken and after each boy had eaten all they could they drew and read their fortunes. The boys took turns in pinning the tail on the black cat and feeding the jack-o-lantern blind folded. The winners drawing prizes. Some of the boys fingered in the sun parlor till bed time, laughing and talking of the party but many of them were found writing letters, saying that now they had something to write about. Each man sent his personal thanks to the ladies of Hickory who contributed to their enjoyment and entertainment and want them to know what it means to them to be remembered in their exile from home. They find it particularly hard to get through the holidays.
Those contributing to this party were:

Money—Miss Lucile Beach \$3; Mrs. Walker Lyster \$1; Mrs. B. M. Spratt \$2; Mrs. J. H. Holbrook \$1.50; Mrs. A. M. West \$1; Miss Edith Plank \$1; Mrs. A. A. Sanford \$10; Mrs. W. S. Taylor \$1; Miss Amy Wheeler \$1; Mrs. T. A. Mott \$1; Mrs. B. H. Simpson \$1; Miss Grace Strick \$1; Mrs. J. L. Riddle \$2; Mrs. W. R. Branshaw \$2; Mrs. E. N. Carr \$1; Mrs. E. A. Taylor \$25; Mrs. J. H. Patrick \$50; Mrs. Fred Jones \$50; Misses Norton \$1 and bolt of ribbon.
Chickens—Miss Capicola, Beck Mrs. J. B. Little, Mrs. C. W. Barclay, Mrs. Geo. Lyster, Mrs. Edgar Yoder, Cookies—Mrs. Gibbs, Mrs. Hazel Aiken, Mrs. Roy Abernethy, Miss Mattie Thomason.
Candy—Mrs. J. H. Shuford, Making Decorations—Mrs. E. Ly only, Miss Josephine Lyster.
Socks—Miss Julia Wheeler, Mrs. W. R. Gwaltney, Mrs. A. C. Lin, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Bonnell, Mrs. A. J. Essex, Mrs. Jules Abernethy.
Caps—Mrs. K. C. Baker, Mrs. W. T. Sledge, Miss Vera Lutz, Miss Nettie Hosley, Miss Croon.
Flowers—Mrs. C. S. Groves, Miss T. Beach, Mrs. Will Deal, Miss Hahn.
Executive: Any man who has sense enough to pick able men to do the work.—Baltimore Sun.

WISE, INDEED

"Solomon was the wisest man."
"He was," assented Miss Cayenne. "He knew how to manage a very large number of wives without a single divorce scandal."

COITON

By the Associated Press.
New York, Nov. 21.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance on relatively firm Liverpool cables and slightly lighter ginning returns than anticipated.